



## INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEDICAL EXAMINATION

**All immigrant visa applicants must undergo the medical examination in Sweden by designated panel physicians.**

**Applicants fifteen (15) years of age and older** must have a chest X-ray and a blood test in addition to a general medical examination. These tests must be performed at designated facilities in Sweden. In addition the vaccination requirements explained below must be met.

**Applicants under fifteen (15) years of age** only need a general medical examination and necessary vaccinations, unless the examination reveals the need for additional test.

### **Chest X-ray and Blood Tests**

The X-ray examination and the serological test for syphilis must be done in Sweden at the facilities specified by our panel physicians. The chest X-ray examination and the serological (blood) test must be taken less than 90 days before your general medical examination by the panel physician. The results of the test are sent directly to the panel physician – allow time for them to reach the panel physician before you appointment with him. The medical certificate from the panel physician's examination is only valid for six months, so it is importation that you not schedule the examination too far in advance of your interview.

Each individual having an X-ray and blood test **MUST PROVIDE PHOTO-IDENTIFICATION TO THE LABORATORY TECHNICIANS (PASSPORT)**. The technicians should mail the X-ray film/CD-ROM directly to panel physician. The CD-ROM should be placed in an envelope marked on the outside with the applicant's name, facility name and date of image exposure.

### **Vaccination Requirements**

All immigrant visa applicants are required to obtain certain vaccinations prior to the issuance of the immigrant visa. You may need to have one or more of the vaccinations listed below, depending on your age. The panel physicians who conduct medical examinations of immigrant visa applicants are required to verify that applicants have met the vaccination requirements, or that it is medically inappropriate for the visa applicant to receive the required vaccinations. If born after 1956, Diphtheria/Tetanus (received during the last 10 years) and MMR are always required. The other listed vaccinations may be required for specific age groups. The panel physicians can give you more information.

*Mumps	*Measles	*Rubella	Human Papillomavirus (HPV)	Meningococcal
*Polio	Pertussis	Rotavirus	Tetanus and diphtheria toxoids	Hepatitis A
Hepatitis B	*Varicella	Zoster	Influenza type b (Hib)	

\*Contraindicated for pregnant woman and immune-deficient individuals.

In order to assist the panel physician and avoid delays in the processing of an immigrant visa, all immigrant visa applicants should have their vaccination record available for the panel physician to review at the time of the immigrant medical examination. Visa applicants should consult with their regular health care provider to obtain a copy of their immunization records, if one is available. If you do not have a vaccination record, the panel physician will work with you to determine which vaccinations you may need to meet the requirements. Certain waivers of the vaccination requirement are available upon the recommendation of the panel physician.

### **Making the appointment**

The designated panel physicians in Sweden are:

#### **Stockholm**

Dr. Göran Bulow  
Hälsobarometern  
Surbrunnsgatan 40  
113 48 Stockholm  
Tel: 08-756 21 98  
Phone hours Monday –Thursday 09.00-17.00

#### **Malmö**

Dr. Carl Olof Welin  
Citykliniken  
Malmborgsgatan 4  
211 38 Malmö  
Tel: 040-611 10 40

#### **Göteborg**

Dr. Einar Persson  
Kvarterskliniken Lilla Torget  
Otterhällegatan 2  
411 18 Göteborg  
Tel: 031-339 93 21  
Phone hours Monday – Friday 08.00-17.00

You must make an appointment to be examined, preferably BEFORE your visa interview. Be sure to take your **passport** and the completed sheet signed by the **x-ray** and lab technicians to the examination. You are also requested to bring a **passport photo** of yourself. You are liable for any and all examination fees. The physical examination is approximate 2800 SEK for adults and 800 SEK for children under 15. There are separate fees for the chest X-ray and drawing blood for the serological tests, which is paid directly to the laboratories that do the work. There are also additional fees for vaccinations if you are required to have them; these vary depending on the particular vaccination(s) required. If all tests are in order, the physicians will deliver the results and the completed medical examination to the Embassy in a few days.

Please note that any questions regarding the medical documentation must be directed to the panel physicians.